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1. IF SUITABLE OCCASION PRESENTS ITSELF IN YOUR CONVERSATIONS WITH GOI OFFICIALS YOU MAY WISH TO BRING UP U.S. INTEREST IN POSSIBLE COOPERATION WITH IRAN IN SOLAR ENERGY RESEARCH. IT WOULD ALSO BE USEFUL TO MENTION THAT WE HAVE FOLLOWED IRANIAN EFFORTS IN THIS FIELD WITH SOME INTEREST AND ARE ESPECIALLY IMPRESSED WITH THE SOLAR TECHNOLOGY PROGRAM OF THE MATERIALS AND ENERGY RESEARCH CENTER OF ARYA-MEHR UNIVERSITY.

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2. IF THERE IS A POSITIVE RESPONSE TO THE CONCEPT OF

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COOPERATION, YOU MAY WISH TO BRING UP THE POSSIBILITY
OF HAVING A SMALL GROUP OF IRANIAN EXPERTS VISIT THE
UNITED STATES TO GAIN A FIRST HAND KNOWLEDGE OF U.S. SOLAR
ENERGY PROGRAMS AND FACILITIES. WE WOULD BE HAPPY TO WORK
OUT ARRANGEMENTS FOR SUCH A VISIT IF DESIRED. YOU MAY
NOTE THAT IF SUCH AN EFFORT PROVES TO BE OF MUTUAL INTEREST
IT COULD BE CONDUCTED WITHIN THE FRAMEWORK OF THE S&T
WORKING GROUP OF THE U.S./IRAN JOINT COMMISSION. SISCO

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